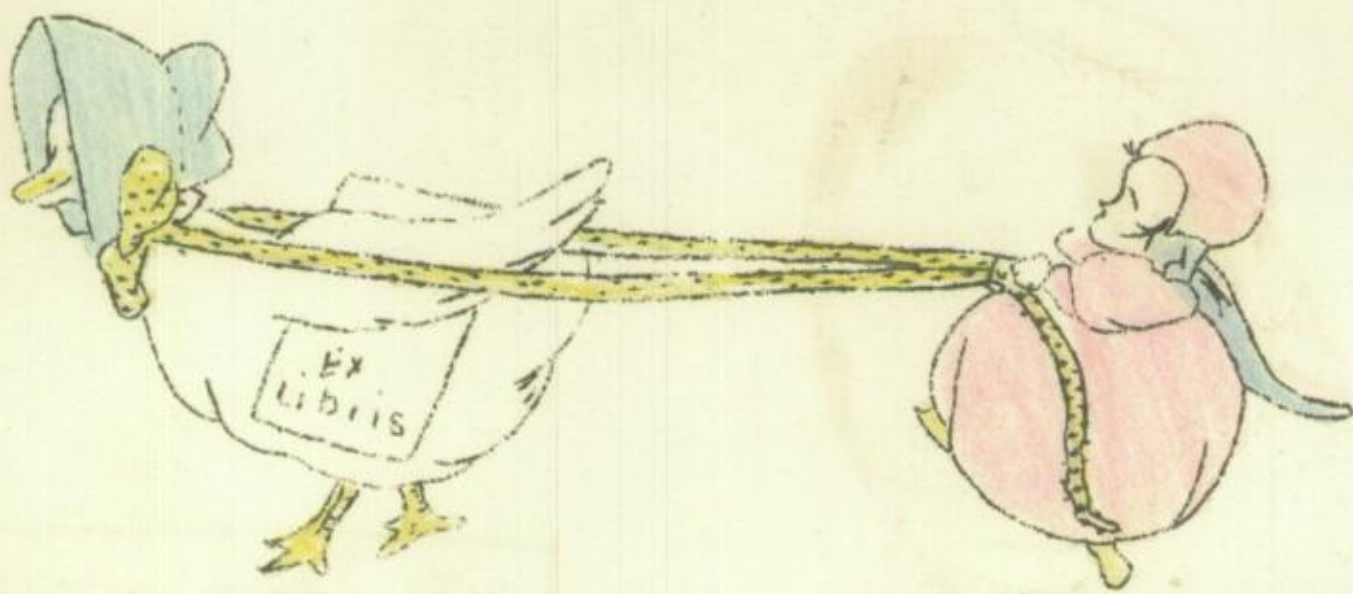


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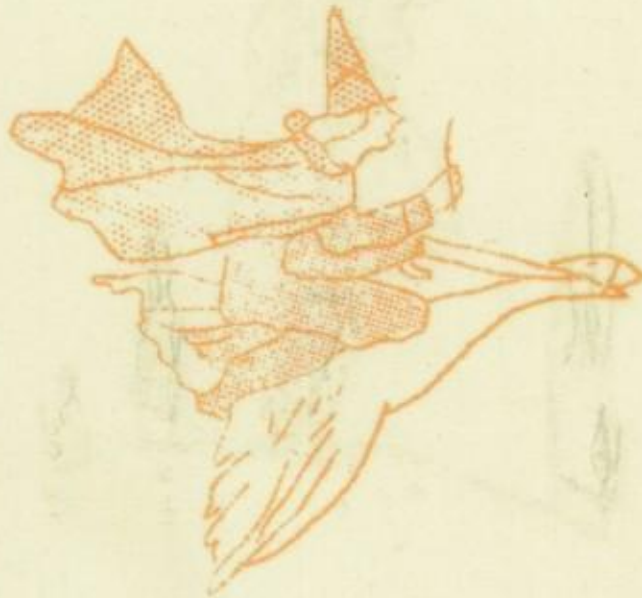


My name is
Humpty Dumpty
What's yours?
*Doris
Lincoln*



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The Senior Class
of
Dakota Community High School
Dakota, Illinois

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The Forward

In this volume of the Talebearer, we have attempted to select a few choice pages from our high school life, and bind them together in a lasting form, so that through the passing years we will have a treasure house of precious memories.

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ANNUAL STAFF

Soon after school began the seniors choose Kathryn Mitchell as Editor in Chief of the Talebearer...staff often seen huddled in a corner discussing possible themes...girls conspired together to prevent the boys from selecting a "Heigho, Silver" theme done in purple and green..the most popular book of the year is going to be "Mother Goose"Business Manager Heck rushes around to write letters to paper companies; then forgets to mail them for a week.....big difficulties encountered in running off border sheets, finally had to call a specialist from Rockford....worked late at night when the building was quiet, too quiet...footsteps someone trying to open the front door....Kathryn armed with a pair of scissors, and Evelyn with the iron slip cautiously down the dark stairs to arrest the intruder...Fairie does art work listening to "Oh, Johnny" on the radio.....boys get ambition to go to Freeport for adds, on the day before the big game, taking half of the team with them, causing no end of excitement...Ruth Brubaker and Grace Bear work on the art work eighth period, forgetting to sign out...Verna Graybill helping to mimeograph with a great ink smudge across her face.....Evelyn standing in the door trying to coax Stanley to go home and leave them alone..the sponsor vainly trying to cover up errors with correction fluid...the editor patiently and innocently waiting for certain faculty members to cut anything they figure too interesting...got everybody all dressed up for Blankenburg on February 12 and he didn't arrive until March 12.....at last the big night came when the annual was to be assembled...lots of people around, some of them helping.....it is mailed off to be bound...we sigh with relief...they arrive at last....all one hears up and down the halls, "Auto-graph my annual, please?"





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Dedication

In sincere appreciation for making it possible for us to continue our education, and their continual cooperation with us, we, the Seniors of 1940, dedicate this annual to Our Parents.



The Talebearer staff wishes
to thank BING CROSBY and
the producer of "STARMAKER"
for the suggestion for their
theme.



A Dillar, A Dollar

A 'Ton O'clock Scholar

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AS WE SHALL REMEMBER THEM:

Mr..Wohlford----on a chair fixing the office clock
----economizing wherever he can----laying down new
rules, quietly, firmly--writing out excuse blanks.
Mr. Miller----trying to work in a basketball meet-
ing at odd moments-----indicating by his expression
whether Iowa won or lost that football game-----
mimeographing algebra tests in the old office-----
delivering pep talks in the gym.

Miss Cochran-----arguing about world trade----baw-
ling people out--trying to cast a play with people
who are too busy to take a part-----charging fines
for over due books-----"Let's have the **stopping**
talked immediately".

Miss Royer-----giving longer and longer English
assignments----calling G.A.A. meetings----laughing
goodnaturally----stencilling the Tattler----"Any
news?"

Miss Krider-----leading the band----urging typing
students to practice more--setting the time clock
for time tests--helping students with chbrus robes
-----worrying about the operetta.

Mr. Lycan---sticking his head in the typing room--
buttoning his sweater-----showing disapproval by a
totally expressionless face-----worrying about ag
students projects.

SCHOOL BOARD

President-----	Frank Thomas
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Member-----	Miles Mitchell
Member-----	Ivan Johnson

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the
school board for their cooperation with us during
our four years of high school.



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The Schoolhouse the District Built

This is the schoolhouse the district built.
These are the floors, all shiny and new
That lay in the schoolhouse the district built.
This is the janitor, all weary and worn
Who sweeps the floors, all shiny and new
That lay in the schoolhouse the district built.
These are the freshmen with muddy shoes
Who plague the janitor, all weary and worn
Who sweeps the floors, all shiny and new
That lay in the schoolhouse the district built.
These are the sophs, the wisest fools
Who initiate the freshies with muddy shoes
Who plague the janitor, all weary and worn
Who sweeps the floors, all shiny and new
That lay in the schoolhouse the district built.
These are the juniors, so meek and mild
Who snub the sophs, the wisest fools
Who initiate the freshies with muddy shoes
Who plague the janitor, all weary and worn
Who sweeps the floors, all shiny and new
That lay in the schoolhouse the district built.
These are the seniors, the privileged class
Who torment the juniors, so meek and mild
Who snub the sophs, the wisest fools
Who initiate the freshies, with muddy shoes
Who plague the janitor so weary and worn
Who sweeps the floors, all shiny and new
That lay in the schoolhouse the district built.
This is the faculty, so serious and glum
Who scold the seniors, the privileged class
Who torment the juniors, so meek and mild
Who snub the sophs, the wisest fools
Who initiate the freshies with muddy shoes
Who plague the janitor, so weary and worn
Who sweeps the floors, so shiny and new
That lay in the schoolhouse the district built.





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STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council has been in operation at Dakota High School since 1923. It is composed of the president of each class and another member from each of the four classes.

This organization meets once a week to discuss the different school problems that arise during the year. They sponsor assembly programs, extra curricular programs and this year had the honor of sponsoring the County Literary Contest which was held in our school.

They also have at their disposal ten per cent of the door receipts of the two class plays and the operetta produced by the school each year. With this money the council buys decorations for the school building, games for the students to amuse themselves with during the noon hour, and sponsor assembly programs. This year De. Sanford was again secured by the Student Council. We were very fortunate in being able to have him stay for the entire day. He spent the day lecturing and giving the juniors and seniors vocational guidance.

Paul Sieber was elected president with Betty Tracy as secretary. Mr. Wohlford is the sponsor of the group and he also acts as the treasure.

Members of the Student Council are:

Senior Pres.	-----Evelyn Long
Senior S.C.M.	-----Paul Sieber
Junior Pres.	-----James Strong
Junior S.C.M.	-----Fred Stoll
Sophomore Pres.	-----Betty Tracy
Sophomore S.C.M.	-----Arlene Meck
Freshman Pres.	-----Roger Rockey
Freshman S.C.M.	-----Opal Long



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University of Wisconsin

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Student Council)

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A. B. Iowa State University
(Algebra, Geometry, Physics, General Science,
Athletics)

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F.F.A.)

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Class Plays)

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(English III, IV, Clothing, Homemaking,
G.A.A.)



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Jack and Jill

Went up the Hill

MOTTO

We build the ship on which we sail.

CLASS COLORS

Peach and white.

FLOWER

Tea Rose.

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SENIOR HISTORY

On September 8, 1936, thirty-four children entered the "Shoe" to further their education. This was the largest group that had entered at one time. The girls included: Ruth Adams, Grace Bear, Ruth Brubaker, Fairie Germain, Florence Kramer, Lozetta Lawver, Evelyn Long, Anna Mae Manning, Martha Meck, Frances Meinert, Kathryn Mitchell, Genevieve Schessler, Nettie Nott, Alice Veach, and Florence Veach. The boys were: Alvin Barr, Carl Bordner, Harry De Groff, Sheldon Dornink, Marvin Fluegel, Charles Haas, Robert Heck, Elmer Johnson, Kenneth Keehnen, Wilbert Keehnen, John Kryder, Ellsworth Lapp, Wesley Lawver, Clement Meinert, Warren Reuber, Calvin Schoch, Donald Shoemaker, Paul Sieber, and Alvin Wachlin. Of this group, Robert Heck represented "King Cole" and Fairie Germain was "Queen of Hearts". The court recorder was Genevieve Schessler, and the wealth was guarded by Florence Kramer. Evelyn Long was representative in council with Miss Gnagey as "Mother Goose". During the year the "Shoe" became a bit roomier, due to the loss of seven children from our class. The spring picnic was held in Krape Park.

September 7, 1937, found twenty-six children in the sophomore division. This year Sheldon Dornink represented "King Cole" and Florence Kramer, the "Queen of Hearts". Bright remarks were recorded by Fairie Germain, and Martha Meck guarded the possessions. Paul Sieber represented the group in council, with Miss Stengel as "Mother Goose". The fall outing was again held at Krape Park. The freshmen were duly initiated by our class. One member fell from our ranks during the year. The Pines State Park proved a splendid place for our spring picnic.

The children again assembled together in



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September, 1938. This time it was in the new "Shoe". This year we had two new members, which made our class number twenty-five. Miss Stengel was again "Mother Goose". Paul Sieber took the responsibility of "King Cole" with Sheldon Dornink as his runner-up. Records were kept by Marjorie McCarty and the wealth was guarded by Nettie Nott. Robert Heck was selected to be councillor this year. A hamburger fry was held in Krapes Park in the fall. During the year the class joined the freshmen and gave an all-school "Kid Party". In the spring, the class presented the play entitled "Apron-String Revolt". Carrying out the theme, "Greenway Gardens", the juniors gave the seniors a banquet in early June. At the close of the year we found three children missing from the "Shoe".

The next fall the children grew faster than before because it was the last year of growth in the "Shoe". Evelyn was the "Queen of Hearts" with Robert Heck as her Prime Minister. Florence Kramer recorded all the happenings of the year, and John Kryder kept his eye on the wealth. Paul Sieber again flourished in the council. Miss Cochran was chosen as "Mother Goose". The loss of several more children reduced the number to seventeen. The fall outing was again held in Krapes Park. The class successfully presented the play "Second Fiddle". As seniors it fell to us to publish the Talebearer. We chose colors, motto, and theme as soon as school started so that work could be begun early. The staff had worked hard hoping this year the Talebearer will exceed all previous ones. After much discussion the class agreed to have Caps and Gowns again this year for Commencement. The Commencement Speaker chosen by the class is Mrs. Hare from Galena. The class is secretly planning for Fleet Day besides anxiously waiting for Baccalaureate and the Junior-Senior Banquet.



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FLEET DAY

Three A. M. came pretty quick on April 23rd for that was the day the seniors left cares behind them and fled to Milwaukee-----there were hurried plans the day before, such as getting Harry's eggs devilled and Martha's beans baked and keeping the whole affair secret besides---3 A.M., every senior was on hands--all but Miss Cochran, who just knew they couldn't make it so early--at last they were off--Harry told about the wrecks he had seen lately to give us confidence in his driving--breakfast at Sherman Park before sunup (the sun didn't come up all day)---shopping for trinkets in the big stores all over the city--dinner in the Shelter House at Sherman Park--Kathryn tried out the Milwaukee telephone system trying to call an aunt, everytime the nickel came back, Marvin was intrigued and encouraged her to "do it again"-----the museum with its dead Indian (and we really do mean dead)--the cold, windy walk far out on the lake pier to take some snapshots--quenching the terrible thirst caused by potato chips with three limcades, and a root beer--the fleeting Fleet Day romances-----wondering all day long how things were getting along at school, after resolving to forget school for the day----supper in the cars parked along side of the road just before the cars split up, one staying in Milwaukee, one going to a show in Delavan, and coring home early--the balcony at the big Warner Theatre, with seats that didn't seem so comfortable after a hard day---Harry dozed and almost fell over on his nose--driving home in the night---everyone in the car dopey but the driver---tumbled into bed around 2:30 A.M.--glad that the next day was a school day so that they could go to school looking tired and dissipated so that all the underclassmen could see for themselves that the seniors made the most of their Fleet Day.



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SENIORS

RUTH ADAMS: "What anyone may do or say I will be good."

GRACE BEAR: "We can hardly criticize a hard worker."

RUTH BRUBAKER: "More ability than has been brought to light."

HARRY DE GROFF: "This banner was presented to me by myself as a token of my self esteem."

SHELDON DORNINK: "I wish to Heaven I knew where a commodity of good names were to be bought."

MARVIN FLUEGEL: "Much study is a weariness of flesh."

FAIRIE GERMAIN: "Little girl, you'll do."

ROBERT HECK: "Company, villainous company, have been the spoil of me."

FLORENCE KRAMER: "Her ways are ways of pleasantness and all her paths are peace."

JOHN KRYDER: "Frequently within my brain I gently think a thought."

EVELYN LONG: "Full lustily she blew and lo a tune came forth."

MARTHA MECK: "Amiable and agreeable but try and slip anything over on her."

CLEMENT MEINERT: "A gentleman, though spoiled in the making."

FRANCES MEINERT: "Silence is her one art of conversation."

KATHRYN MITCHELL: "If she will she will, and if she won't she won't and that's an end to it."

CALVIN SCHOCK: "He is not dead but sleepeth."

PAUL SIEBER: "I grow intoxicated with my own eloquence."





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CLASS WILL, 1940

We, the senior class of 1940, of Dakota Community High School, supposed to be of sane minds and sound bodies, do use our good judgment and do hereby make, execute, publish, and declare this to be our last will and testament, revoking all former and other promises:

I, Robert Heck, will my ability to stay up late nights and still stay awake the next morning to Donald Fluegel.

I, Florence Kramer, leave the boys of Dakota High for Phyllis Kramer, in complete faith that she will keep them properly entertained.

I, Martha Meck, will my school bus that I inherited from my brother to my sister to continue with the Winneshiek-Dakota School bus line.

I, Harry DeGroff, will my ability to make "Model T"s run to Charles Haas, Roger Henze, and Ellsworth Lapp.

I, Ruth Brubaker, leave my ability to type to any student wishing to take it up, and my bashfulness to Opal Long.

I, Sheldon Dornink, will my winning ways to Duane Messman, and my ability to bluff Miss Cochran to Verna Graybill.

I, Evelyn Long, bequeath Stanley Meier to the girls of Dakota Community High with hopes that he will not become too interested in them.

I, Kathryn Mitchell, will my enthusiasm for Thespians to Sheldon Toelke.



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I, Clement Meinert, Will my capacity to settle all parentql difficulty to Leland Hutchison.

I, Fairie Germain, will my talent, grace, charm, and ability to leave catty remarks unsaid to Joyce Keehnen.

I, Calvin Schoch, will my ability to fix up excuses for tardiness to Frederick Virtue.

I, Marvin Fluegel, leave my round baby face to Shirley Snyder.

I, Grace Bear, will my ability to conquer the French Language to Alvin Barr.

I, John Kryder, leave my ability to fix doorbells for Miss Cochran and build houses for Miss Krider to Robert Schradermeier if he is interested.

I, Frances Meinert, will my capacity to keep the silence unbroken to Dale Bennehoff.

I, Ruth Adams, leave my privilege of answering the telephone to any student active enough to run after other students all over the building.

I, Paul Sieber, leave my monopoly on knowlege about recent European developments to any enterprising junior who wishes an "A" in history next year

To our beloved faculty we bqueath:

For Mr. Lycan we shall construct a glass partition between the studyhall and the typing room sohe can conveniently see who is and who isn't.

To Mr. Miller, we will a c ampionship basketball team who can follow last minute directions.

To Miss Krider we shall leave a new time clock to replace the one we practically wrecked.

To Miss Royer we shall leave the privilege of giving such long assignments that seniors have little time for anything else.

To Miss Cochran, a large wastebasket to hold all the gum she's making a collection of.

To Mr. Wohlford a supply of excuse blanks for the times when roads are bad.

To Butch, the janitor, we ~~wll~~ the privilege of



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refinishing the table tops in the science lab.
To the underclassmen, we will the following:
To the juniors, we will our textbooks hoping they
will make better use of them than we did.
To the sophomores, we will our athletic abilities.
To the freshmen, we will our inclination for deep
study.
We, the senior class of 1940, declare this to be
our last will and testament.

CLASS PROPHECY

Let us look ahead about ten years and see
just what each member of the class will be doing.
I know no better way than to borrow Jolly Joe's
magic telescope, Oh, yes, now we can see what each
one is doing in the 1950's:

First, there's the smiling faced, red-eared Paul
Sieber. Having learned a great deal about poli-
tics in history class, he is now in Washington
"sitting around with the other Congressmen". 'Tis
said when he debates, he becomes so heated, he has
to remove his coat and loosen his tie.

Then there's Ruth Brubaker all dressed up in a
white uniform and cap. She took up nursing and her
serene, placid face has brought encouragement to
many a desperate patient.

The next familiar face is John Kryder. Ever since
he served as stage manager and fixed up doorbells
he has had an interest in electricity. Now he has
a laboratory of his own and is experimenting with
lightning.

Who could this be? No other than Harry De Groff
with his cowboy uniform. He joined the Adams Rod-
eo and has become very famous as a steer rider. He
wears so many blue ribbons, you can hardly see Har-
ry.

Another familiar face comes up now. As it becomes



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clearer, we recognize Frances Meinert in a dustcap and long apron. She married her old boy friend from Pecatonica. Her hubby says she is the model wife because she never argues, quarrels, loses her temper, and always lets him have the last word. There is Clement Meinert. Yes, he couldn't make a go of farming, so he joined the W.P.A. He thinks he might as well have that easy money as well as someone else.

Here comes Robert Heck. He bluffed his way through college, too, and is now teaching physics in Rockford High School. He is very popular among the students since he permits them to chew gum, snooze in class, giggle, and in general do the same things he himself enjoyed in his undergraduate days.

The next one we see is Ruth Adams. She is patiently checking overdue books at Freeport Library. Now she is able to look the world in the face, as she says, "Your book is a day overdue. Two cents, please".

Next is Fairie Germain. She is running a chain of beauty parlors with her main one in Freeport, where she is the wife of Professor Messman. Annually, they attend the Thespian Banquet where the professor gives an impressive speech on the merits of high school dramatics.

Then there's Evelyn Long who is the present wife of Stanley Meier. Her main problem is her three young sons, who come home late every day from basketball practice saying the coach kept them in. The coach, however, is very cooperative and always helps her check up.

What is this descending upon us now? It seems to be Calvin Schoch, the early bird, in his autogiro. He is living in Freeport, and hauls the Freeport paper to the surrounding towns. He works so efficiently that he claims that he has not one dissatisfied customer on his list.

The next one we see is the sweet, goodnatured face



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of Marvin Fluegel, known around school as "Sweetie Pie". He is running a grocery store in Rock Grove. He is so kind and generous, he is known by all the kids in the block as Uncle Marve. He permits all the town loafers to use his store as a meeting place. Whether successful or not, can better be told after the January inventory.

Who's next? It is Martha Meck, the "sweetheart of Dakota High". But oh, what a change! Now she combs her hair straight over her ears, wears horn-rimmed spectacles, and a tailored suit. Yes, she has given up the boys and is contentedly working as secretary to W.T. Raleigh. 'Tis whispered that sometimes at night she unlocks her hope chest and weeps a few bitter tears over a package of letters tied with a blue ribbon. We'll never know.

The next face is very dim-----it must be far away. It is the well-known face of Sheldon Dornink, Dakota's Mickey Rooney. Yielding to the call of the West, he has gone to Hollywood. At first he wasn't successful and had to sling hash in a second rate eating joint. But he knew his chance would come. When opportunity knocked, Shels was there to open the door. Now, although his hair is greying, and he has lost a tooth or two, he still playing adolescent roles.

And there is Kathryn Mitchell who is now rivaling Orson Wells as actress-producer. She looks back with fond recollection of the first play she ever directed, "The Man in the Bowler Hat". Her Next production will be "Macbeth" in which she herself will star as Lady Macbeth.

Lastly, there is Grace Bear. She has recently come out of mourning for her late husband, a victim of his environment. She plans to write a book on how to make the high school annual pay for itself.



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CLASS POEM

We started in four years ago,
To climb that hill, so high
And everyone of us, resolved
To either do or die!
The first year was a little hard,
With everything so new;
But most of us just tried our luck,
And finally, we came through.
Some of us began to show,
As we went along,
We had ability in sports
While others "shone" in song;
Dramatics also was enjoyed
By many in the class,
But, meanwhile, we kept studying,
So we'd be sure and pass!
The next year, although we had found,
Some of our comrades gone--
We kept on climbing up that hill
To reach the goal that shone;
Our great enjoyment came at last,
When Juniors, we returned
To find a great, new schoolhouse,
For it long years we'd yearned!
Now everyone of us enjoyed
Those useful subjects, new
New clubs, societies and such-
Were waiting for the crew!
And now, we're on the last, long mile
With plays and annual work,
We know this is our busiest year-
So, our duty we'll not shrink.
And through our work and play and fun-
We wish success to everyone!!

Grace Bear



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SENIOR JINGLES

"Fairie, Fairie quite contrary
How does your art work go?"
"With all the errors and awful mistakes
My progress is quite slow."

Ruthie Adams, so brainy and wise
Has all her lessons
And never half tries.

A boy he would a-wooing go,
"Sing heigho," says Demps,
Whether his mother would let him or no!

John, John, the farmer's son
Was our class treasurer
Did he have fun!

Little Ruthie B., sat on a settee,
Along came a boy, and sat down beside her
And frightened poor Ruthie away.

Kathie Mitchell's been
Faithful and true
In editing this annual
Especially for you.

Marvin Fluegel, round faced and fair
Enjoys life
With never a care.

Shels, shels, hurdle leaper
Had a girl
And couldn't keep her.

Little Grace Bear
Was so tiny and small
A rat could eat her
Hat and all.



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When Bobbie was a little boy
He had but little wit
'Tis a long time ago
And he has no more of it.

Our president was a girl
Named Long
So everything's right
Instead of wrong.

Francie Meinert's a dear little sister
If she hadn't been here
We would have missed her!

"Heigho," says Calvin, "This is my fate,
Where'ere I go, I shall always be late."

There's a little girl named Kramer
Who bought a new dress
And how it became her.

Martha, Martha, from the house of Meck
Who isn't at all interested
In a man named Heck.

Paul Sieber's a good little speaker
If his voice holds out,
It'll get no weaker.

Harry, Harry, just one of the boys
Who's always accompanied
By lots of noise.

These are the seniors
Dakota's turned loose
Though they're all grown up
They adore Mothe Goose.





There was an Old Woman
Who Lived in a Shoe.

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JUNIOR HISTORY

On September 7, 1937, thirty children entered D. C. H. S. They elected Stanley Meier, as "King Cole", Melvin Thomas, as "Prince Charming", Dale Daughenbaugh, as recorder, Donald TerHark as keeper of common property, and Alvin Barr as council representative. Mr. Lycan was "Father Goose". They were duly initiated by the sophomores before they proceeded to Krape Park for a wiener roast. The spring picnic was also held in Krape Park.

September, 1938, found twenty-nine sophomores ready for work in the new "Shoe". This year Helen Gill was "Queen of Hearts" and Marjorie Canfield, the princess. Betty Kryder recorded the wise sayings, with Dorothy Moss guarding the wealth. The council representative was Verna Graybill. Mr. Lycan was again "Father Goose". Keyes Rayhorn did not appear to take up his work this year. The annual wiener roast was held in Krape Park. Initiation of the freshmen fell upon the shoulders of this class. Krape Park was the selected spot for the spring picnic.

This fall the junior class numbered twenty-seven. At this time six former members failed to appear, four of which went to other schools. They were: Alice Nott, Leland Lawver, Robert Hartman, Helen Gill, Samuel Sieber, and Eugene Strong. Paul Moist dropped his studies soon after school started. They also had several new faces among the group, including Maxine Moyers, Wallace Wolty, Merle Neidermeier, Ellsworth Lapp, and Frederick Stoll, and Charles Haas. The officers for the year were "King Cole", James Strong, "Prince", Merl Neidermeier, recorder of growth, Betty Fluegel, guardian of wealth, Verna Graybill, and council member, Frederick Stoll, Miss Royer was chosen as "Mother Goose". The fall wiener roast was held in Krape Park.



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Donald Shoemaker joined the group at the beginning of the second semester. The class presented the play "Spring Fever" as one of the big tasks of the year. At present plans are underway for the Junior-Senior Banquet. From reports we've been hearing the theme is "Mother Goose".

SOPHOMORE HISTORY

September 1938 found thirty children enrolled as freshmen. The first real task of the group was to elect class officers. The class chose Phyllis Kramer "Queen of Hearts" and Betty Tracy as princess. Elwood Koch recorded the bright sayings of the class with Robert Shradermeier guarding the wealth. The council representative was Roger Henze. The fall outing was held in Krapes Park. Doris Lincoln joined the group while Lois Kuhagan left the class on account of illness. A fine spring picnic was held in Krapes Park.

Twenty-six children began the year of 1939. Those missing were Isabel Daughenbaugh, Norma Jean Nath, Raymond Zimmerman, Roger Rockey and Roger Henze. This year Betty Tracy was "Queen of Hearts" with Doris Knoup as Princess. Doris Fehr recorded the happenings while Lois Pfile guarded the Common Property. The Counciller was Arlene Meck. Miss Krider was chosen as "Mother Goose". Soon after school started Robert Keister and Florence Johnson joined the class. This year they had a hamburger fry instead of a wiener roast. Initiation of the freshmen fell to this class. They had a party and invited the whole school. LaVerne Stubbe dropped from the ranks at the beginning of the second semester. The class united with the freshmen to have a school party. Elwood Koch left the group and went to Madison.



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FRESHMEN HISTORY

Forty-three brave children decided to continue their education and entered the "Shoe" in September 1940. The first great task was the election of class officers which resulted in the following: "King Cole"--Roger Rockey; "Prince Charming"--Verl Foss; Recorder--Jean Dornink; Keeper of Wealth--Billy Angle; and Member of Council--Opal Long. Mr. Lycan was "Father Goose". The fall wiener roast was held in Krapes Park. During the year Virgil Dietmeier and Junior Bull moved to other schools while Ethol Iserman and Leon Wagner discontinued their studies. Robert Dornink was called from the group by the Angel of Death. This class united with the sophomores for the school party. As the second semester got under way Henry Bastian joined the group.

UNDERCLASSMEN

Juniors, Juniors quite contrary
How do your studies go?
With little tests here and there
That put you on your toes.

Sophomores, Sophomores always mischievous
Where do you get your noise?
From whispering girls that pester
Our class of boisterous boys.

Freshmen, Freshmen when you grow up
To Seniors fine and dandy
We hope that you will not forget
Some things that come in bandy.

Florence Kramer



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UNDERCLASSMEN

JUNIORS (left to right)

First Row: M. Thomas, F. Stoll (Student Council Member), B. Fluegel (Sec.), J. Strong (Pres.), M. Neidermeier (Vice Pres.), V. Graybill (Treas.), S. Toelke, Miss Royer (Sponsor).

Second Row: M. Meyers, B. Diemer, L. Niblo, D. Moss, S. Meier, G. Lawler, T. Reuber, M. Canfield, B. Kryder, H. Nesemeier.

Third Row: D. Crull, E. Lapp, C. Haas, D. TerHark, A. Barr, D. Shoemaker, D. Daughenbaugh, K. Shoemaker, P. Cerroni, D. Wirth.

SOPHOMORES

First Row: E. TerHark, L. Pfile (Treas.), D. Knoup, (V. Pres.), B. Tracy (Pres.), A. Meck (Student Council Member), D. Neuschwander, Miss Krider (Sponsor)

Second Row: E. Alich, R. Schradermeier, H. Barr, F. Nesemeier, D. Brubaker, J. Veach, J. Ruef, P. Keister.

Third Row: F. Johnson, H. McCarty, M. Rayhorn, S. Brubaker, D. Beneshoff, P. Kramer, R. Keister, R. Harnish, D. Lincoln.

FRESHMEN

First Row: R. Henze, W. Angle (Treas.), J. Dornink (Sec.), R. Rockey (Pres.), O. Long (Student Council Member), V. Foss (V. Pres.), L. Reuber, L. Gramely, Mr. Lycan (Sponsor).

Second Row: S. Bear, F. Johnson, C. Diemer, J. Neuschwander, C. Virtue, M. Reuber, M. Sieber, R. Meads, D. Fluegel, N. Kaiser.

Third Row: J. Adams, C. Stubbe, H. Reeter, J. Kechnen, D. Neuschwander, E. Barr, L. Hutchison, M. Foltz, H. Bastian, B. Neuschwander.

Fourth Row: P. Schwarze, W. Mitchell, C. Phillips, F. Thomas, R. Barr, S. Snyder, J. Niblo, D. Kurtz, D. Markle, F. Virtue.







Hey diddle-diddle

The cat and the fiddle

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GLEE CLUBS

The girls glee club consisted of twenty-six members while the boys glee club had only twenty-one members. The boys made no public appearances alone, while the girls had the privilege of singing at the Farmers' Institute held in the High School gym, the County Literary Contest held at Dakota and the District Music Contest held at Mt. Morris, Illinois.

The combined choruses sang at an Armistice program held at the Community Church, went Christmas caroling and presented the operetta entitled "In Grand Old Switzerland". The two choruses are now practicing some selections to sing at Baccalureate.

The girls glee club elected officers at the beginning of the year to help take care of any business the chorus might have. This group also helped in securing the robes for the girls glee club. They were maroon with a little white collar and contributed much to the chorus' appearance. The officers chosen were as follows:

President-----	Fairie Germain
Vice President-----	Evelyn Long
Secretary and Treasurer-----	Martha Meck
Librarian-----	Florence Kramer

SEXTETTE

The girls sextette sang at a few public programs including a P.T.A. meeting at Cedarville and the Farmers' Institute at Dakota. They also plan to sing at Baccalureate. The members are:



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Soprano.....Phyllis Kramer
Opal Long
Second Soprano.....Fairie Germain
Joyce Niblo
Alto.....Martha Meck
Evelyn Long

Operetta

The annual presentation of the operetta given by the combined choruses was held in January, instead of in May as in previous years. It was entitled "In Grand Old Switzerland" and with its setting of Swiss boys and girls and the snowcapped mountains in the background, it was a very beautiful picture.

The story: Herr Bolliger's daughter and Herr Nopp's son were much attracted to each other, but their parents were quite the opposite. They object to this friendliness and try to keep the two young ones apart. Herr Bolliger was a famous clock maker while Herr Nopps was a famous mountain guide. Between the mountain climbing and selling coo-coo clocks, there is plenty of fun.

Mrs. Miller, a wealthy American Tourist, comes along with her daughter and son and they make the whole thing more complicated and keep the audience interested during the entire story.

Cast of Characters

Herr Bolliger, a famous clock maker-Sheldon Dornink



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Trudi, his daughter-----Fairie Germain
Herr Nopps, a famous mountain guide-----Verl Foss
Juli, his son-----Stanley Meier
Mrs. Miller, a wealthy American tourist-Evelyn Long
Donna, the daughter-----Phyllis Kramer
John, the son-----James Strong
Fritz-----Robert Heck
Hedwig-----Doris Knoup

BAND

This year the High School Band is composed of twenty-seven members including a number of pupils from the grade school. The band worked hard practicing about twice each week during the entire year. This meant a great deal of work but with the interest of each member the band spent a very profitable year.

The band played at several public programs including community meetings and the school operetta in January. They also played at the District music contest held at Mt. Morris, Illinois and received a third division rating which was very good for a band started only a year ago.

The members of the band are anxiously looking forward to a picnic which they plan to have sometime in May.

The officers of the band are:

President-----Kathryn Mitchell
Vice President-----Betty Kryder
Secretary and Treasurer-----Fritz Virtue



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BOYS GLEE CLUB

Left to right:

THIRD ROW: Verl Foss, Dale Daughenbaugh, James Strong, Sheldon Toelke, Marvin Fluegel, John Kryder Elmer Ter Hark, Dale Bennehoff.

SECOND ROW: Frederick Stoll, Paul Cerroni, Galen Lawler, Sheldon Dornink, Robert Heck, Kenneth Shoemaker, Ellsworth Lapp.

FRONT ROW: Stanley Meier, Leland Hutchison, Billy Angle, Frank Nesemeier, Robert Schradermeier, Frederick Virtue, Florence Kramer, Miss Krider.

GIRLS GLEE CLUB

THIRD ROW: Betty Kryder, Joyce Niblo, Dorothy Mos Arlene Meck, Phyllis Kramer, Lois Reuber, Martha Meck, Evelyn Long, Doris Knoup, Opal Long.

SECOND ROW: Marjorie Canfield, Loraine Niblo, Fairie Germain, Dorothy Neuschwander, Verna Graybill, Dorothy Brubaker, Lorene Gramely, Jean Dornink, Joyce Kechnen.

FRONT ROW: Helen Nesemeier, Carolyn Virtue, Jean Neuschwander, Florence Kramer, Miss Krider, Johanna Reuf, Betty Neuschwander, Lois Pfile.

BAND

CLARINET (Front row) Florence Johnson, Kathryn Mitchell, Dulcie Wirth, Thoe Lincoln, (second row) Donald Kurtz, Curtis Dicker, Frankie Meinert

BASS DRUM: Dale Bennehoff

SNARE DRUM: Johanna Reuf

SAXOPHONES: Betty Neuschwander, Betty Kryder, Verlene Lawler.

BARITONES: Reggie Goeke, Dorothy Brubaker

BASS HORN: Frederick Stoll

SYMBOLS: Frederick Virtue

DIRECTOR: Miss Krider

ALSO: Billy Angle

TROMBONES: (front row) Verl Foss, Leland Hutchison, (second row) Helen Nesemeier, Opal Long, John Kryder

CORNETS: Elwood Koch, Jean Neuschwander, Alvin Barr, Clarice Stubbe, Betty Alich







"D" is for Dramatics
Greasepaint and All



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Senior Play

The senior class successfully presented the comedy, "Second Fiddle" on November 10, 1939. The play was a hard play to present as the characters were supposed to be very serious about situations that brought many laughs from the large audience. In spite of this fact, the characters, with the helpful assistance of Miss Cochran, did very well.

The scene of the play was in the living-room of Mrs. Marion Baker's winter home in Florida. A prospective bridegroom, Harold Werple, comes to the Baker home to see his old schoolmate, Janet and he is introduced to two of her friends, Joan and Minnie. There a rehearsal for the wedding takes place using Joan as the substitute bride with the butler, Wilbur, officiating. When it was discovered that a real wedding had taken place, all was in confusion. To make matters worse Mrs. Keeler, who believed her daughter is happily married, comes to meet the happy bridegroom. The situation becomes more serious when Harold's fiancée, Dorothy Van Straaten, comes to find Harold. As soon as she finds out what has happened, she ends the engagement and leaves Harold so unhappy that he takes poison to end his misery. After Joan confesses her love for Harold, he wishes he hadn't taken poison and finds to his surprise that Wilbur, the butler, who is a little dense, had neglected to poison the tomato juice after all.

Cast

Mrs. Marion Baker-----	Martha Meck
Minnie-----	Evelyn Long
Janet-----	Florence Kramer
Joan-----	Kathryn Mitchell
Mrs. Keeler-----	Ruth Adams
Harold Werple-----	Robert Heck
Dorothy Van Straaten-----	Fairie Germain
Wilbur, the butler-----	Marvin Fluegel
Mr. Crouch-----	Paul Sieber



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Junior Play

The junior play "Spring Fever" a three-act comedy was successfully presented on April 19.

Mrs. Spangler keeps a rooming house at Brookfield College where students are in and out all the time. Then spring fever hits Brookfield and Ed Burns turns his room into a laboratory while Vic Lewis, an art student, sets up his materials in the living room.

When the dignified Mr. Purcell arrives, Vic thinks he is the art model, and much excitement prevails until the mistake is discovered and Mr. Purcell leaves in a fury.

A deathbed scene is put on, but somehow the deception is noticed, which causes everything to hum for awhile. In the meantime, Howard decides he can't go through with the trick, and comes back very downhearted. He even decides to pack his things and leave. He is stopped just in time, and the day is saved when Anne tells him to hurry and get ready for the ball. Much to the satisfaction of everybody, everything involved turns out just right.

The characters are:

Howard Brant; senior at college-----	James Strong
Ed Burns; chemistry student-----	Galen Lawler
Vic Lewis; art student-----	Stanley Meier
Lou Herron; journalism student-----	Betty Fluegel
Mrs. Spangler; landlady-----	Dorothy Crull
Anne Purcell; Howard's girl-----	Helen Neseancier
Vivian George; Vic's girl-----	Betty Kryder
Henry Purcell; Anne's father-----	Merl Niedermeier
Phoebe Purcell; Anne's mother-----	Verna Graybill
Maude Corey; Howard's aunt-----	Maxine Meyers
Professor Virgil Bean-----	Dale Daughenbaugh
Dr. Dixon; College President-----	Ellsworth Lapp
Assistant Director-----	Bette Lou Diemer



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THESPIANS

"All the world's a stage"

The Thespian Dramatics club was organized with the following officers: Paul Sieber, Pres., Kathryn Mitchell, Vice Pres., Fairie Germain, Sec., Treas., and Miss Cochran, Sponsor. In order to bring the membership to twenty, tryouts were held. The following students were pledged: Stanley Meier, Doris Knoup, John Kryder, Joyce Keehnen, Phyllis Kramer, Sheldon Toelke, Elwood Koch, Robert Schradermeier, Clement Meinert, Florence Kramer, Martha Meck, Marvin Fluegel, Verna Graybill, Betty Kryder, and Ellsworth Lapp. The pledges were required to wear badges made of Thespian colors of black and white, and to present a pantomime at the initiation banquet given in their honor at Emmert's Tea Room. Later in the year, two new members, Fred Stoll, and Merl Niedermeier were taken in to replace Elwood Koch.

This year the club decided to enter the one-act play contest held every year. The play chosen was "Another Beginning" by LePelley. Two casts began work on the play, made up of the following members: Kathryn Mitchell, Martha Meck, Verna Graybill, Doris Knoup, Robert Heck, and Robert Schradermeier. In order to select the best cast an ~~elimination~~ contest was held in the gym on March 13, of which Doris Knoup, Martha Meck, and Robert Schradermeier were the winners. This cast presented the play at the Freeport sub-district contest, April 6. Although we did not place among the first three, we were much encouraged by receiving an A rating and the comment by the judge that we had done quite well considering that we had the most difficult play of the group.

Literary and oratorical work was sponsored by Thespians this year. The following people entered



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the pre-elimination contest held March 18 and 19.
(Those starred were trained by Mr. Wohlford in the
Speech Class.)

Humorous

Sheldon Dornink
Evadine Barr
*Elmer TerHark
*Doris Knoup

Evelyn Long
Merl Nierdermeier
Maxine Meyers
Jean Dornink

Helen Nesemeier

Dramatic

Verna Graybill
Marian Kryder
*Betty Tracy

Kathryn Mitchell
Fairie Germain
*Arlene Meck

Oration

Paul Sieber
Ellsworth Lapp

*Phyllis Kramer
*Johanna Ruef

The judges selected three from each group to
enter the elimination contest held in the gym on
March 20. The following were chosen:

Humorous

Sheldon Dornink "Beachnuts"
Evelyn Long "Idiosyncrasies"
Doris Knoup "Tom Sawyer in a Jam"

Dramatic

Kathryn Mitchell "Penny"
Fairie Germain "Mary of Scotland"
Betty Kryder "Apple Blossoms"

Oration

Johanna Ruef "I am Innocent of this Blood"
Paul Sieber "Den of Youth"
Phyllis Kramer "Hating War"

The winners of this contest who represented
Dakota at the county contest were as follows: Shel-
don Dornink, Humorous; Fairie Germain, Dramatic
and Phyllis Kramer, Oration. In the county contest
Dakota placed third as a school. In individual e-
vents, Sheldon Dornink placed first and Phyllis
Kramer placed third. In the Freeport sub-district
Dakota was represented by Fairie Germain, Johanna



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Ruef, Oration, and Doris Knoup, Humorous.

On May 17, Thespians presented their first full-length program, consisting of four one-act plays. These plays with the exception of the contest play were directed entirely by club members. Merl Neidermeier served as business manager, Verna Graybill, as assistant director, and John Kryder, stage manager, Betty Kryder, as advertising. The plays presented were:

OBJECTIONS OVERRULED

Man-----Sheldon Toelke
Girl-----Fairie Germain
Girl Friend-----Evelyn Long
Director, Florence Krarner

MAN IN THE BOWLER HAT

Mary-----Florence Krarner
John-----Fredrick Stoll
Hero-----Sheldon Dornink
Heroine-----Phyllis Krarner
Villain-----Paul Sieber
Bad Man-----Robert Heck
Man in the Bowler Hat-----Ellsworth Lapp
Director, Kathryn Mitchell

LITTLE OSCAR

Fred-----Robert Heck
Gussie-----Kathryn Mitchell
Henry-----Stanley Meier
Josie-----Evelyn Long

Director, Fairie Germain
ANOTHER BEGINNING

Edythe-----Doris Knoup
George-----Robert Schradermeier
Hannah-----Martha Meck

Ass't Dir., Phyllis Krarner

At a recent meeting, the Thespian members voted to take a day's outing to Madison, Wisconsin, provided enough money was earned by the program, and enough drivers could be obtained. With this event, the Thespians will bring to a close a very busy and pleasant year.



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SENIOR PLAY

Left to right

ON STAGE: Fairie Germain, Marvin Fluegel, Evelyn Long, Ruth Adams, Kathryn Mitchell, Robert Heck, Florence Kramer, Martha Meck, and Paul Sieber.
IN FRONT: Bette Lou Diemer (asst. director), Miss Cochran (director), John Kryder (stage manager).

JUNIOR PLAY

ON STAGE: Dorothy Crull, Maxine Meyers, Dale Daughenbaugh, Helen Nesemeier, James Strong, Merl Neidermeier, Stanley Meier, Betty Kryder, Betty Fluegel, Galen Lawler, Verna Graybill, Ellsworth Lapp.
IN FRONT: Bette Lou Diemer (asst. director), Miss Cochran (director), Alvin Barr (stage manager).

THESPIANS

ON STAGE: Verna Graybill, Betty Kryder, Paul Sieber, Sheldon Dornink, Robert Shradermeyer, Fairie Germain, Florence Kramer, Sheldon Toelke, John Kryder
IN FRONT: Joyce Keehnen, Ellsworth Lapp, Doris Knoup, Elwood Koch, Evelyn Long, Marvin Fluegel, Martha Meck, Robert Heck, Kathryn Mitchell, Miss Cochran, Clement Mienert, Stanley Meier, Phyllis Kramer.







Polly Put the Kettle On
We'll All Have Tea

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SOCIAL CALENDAR, 1939-40

Initiation Party

The first social engagement on our calendar for this year came on September 22, when the upper classmen held an initiation party to honor the freshmen and new students. This step away from the barbarous brutality of years past was a new one to Dakota High, but one which met with the approval of all, including the freshmen. A program was arranged by the sophomore class, after which games were played. The freshmen were grouped according to the schools they had come from, after which they were taken out in the hall and branded. After recovering from this treatment several musical numbers were given consisting of a composition on the piano by Donald Kurtz, two vocal numbers by Fritz Virtue, and a song by Miss Royer. Several boys competed by rolling chalk across the floor with their noses. When games were finished, refreshments were served, and the party broke up.

G.A.A. Banquet

The members of the G.A.A. enjoyed a banquet held Tuesday evening October 19, at Emmert's Tea Room. The members were honored to have their former adviser, Miss Stengel, and three alumnae present. During the course of the evening, Doris Knoup, G.A.A. representative at Camp Geneva last year gave an interesting talk on her experiences there. Following a few words from Miss Stengel the banquet was brought to a close.

Thespian Banquet

The Thespian Dramatics Club gave their initiation banquet on December 19, at Emmert's Tea



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Room, in honor of the twenty new members taken into the club this year. The faculty and several alumni Thespians were present. The program was as follows:

Toastmaster-----Kathryn Mitchell
Welcome, Pledges-----Fairie Germain
Response-----Stanley Meier
Voice of the Past-----Franklin Messman
Plans for 1939-40-----Miss Cochran
Dramatics in Everyday Life-----Miss Royer
Pantomimes-----Pledges

After the banquet was over, most of the Thespians enjoyed the movie, "Disputed Passage" at the Patio.

G.A.A. Initiation

The Girls' Athletic Association held an initiation party on the eve of February 19. The party was opened by singing the G.A.A. loyalty song. Those initiated in the ceremony which followed were: Doris Fehr, Shirley Snyder, Lois Reuber, and Phyllis Keister.

The room was decorated in the G.A.A. colors of blue and white. When the games were finished, a delicious lunch consisting of chocolate milk, cookies, and potato chips, was served. The party was broken up with the thought that many more parties were awaiting them in the future.

Little Mardi Gras

The "Little Mardi Gras", a new form of entertainment was successfully presented on March 8, in the gym. The first event was a popularity contest of candidates chosen from each class and representatives from the G.A.A. and F.F.A., later to be crowned King and Queen of the carnival. The senior representatives were Evelyn Long and Sheldon Dornink. The juniors chose Dale Daughenbaugh and Mar-



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jorie Canfield. The sophomores chose Doris Knoup and Robert Schradermeier. The Freshmen selected Carolyn Virtue and Roger Henze. The ones finally chosen were Evelyn Long and Dale Daughenbaugh.

Other attractions were sideshows consisting of Freaks, Fortune Telling, and the Beauty Salon. Pin Ball and Bongo attracted large number of players, many of whom carried away prized. Weight-guessing and cake-walks also offered much entertainment. Candy, confetti, horns, balloons and other novelties were on sale throughout the entire evening. The final feature was a basket social which proved very interesting. Everyone went away feeling the evening was well spent.

ICE SKATING PARTY

On Wednesday evening, January 10, about twenty Junior Class members turned out for an ice skating party at Krapes Park in Freeport. The ice was rather rough and caused a few falls, but everyone seemed to enjoy the party. When asked if there had been a moon, some of the Juniors said that they didn't know about the moon but they did see quite a few stars. This is probably explained by the rough ice. At ten o'clock refreshments were served and the party adjourned.

FRESHMEN GET-TO-GETHER

One evening in February (nobody thought it was worth while to record the exact date) the Freshmen Class decided to have an ice skating party themselves. However, it seemed that they were just about a month too late--for sad to relate----when they arrived in Freeport they found the ice all melted. Bearing up under the great disappointment, they made the rest of the evening by attending the Patio where they saw the "Women".



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F.F.A. PARTY

On May 28th, the F.F.A. held a party on Flag-Staff Hill at Krape Park. This event represented the termination of a pest eradication contest. The evens lost to the odds and thereby contributed to the refreshments, the remainder being supplied by F.F.A. funds. Harry De Groff and Donald Fluegel were responsible for the greatest number of points in the contest. It was a mixed party, since members had the privilege of gringing girls if they wished.

JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

The junior-senior banquet held traditionally in a local church, this year was given at Emmert's Tea Room in Freeport, May 24, 1940, at 7 o'clock. The reason for the change was to relieve the junior mothers of the responsibility of preparing the food. The theme, Mother Goose Rhymes, was borrowed with permission, from the 1940 Talebearer. All decorations, invitations, and program held closely to the theme.

Program:

Toastmaster-----	Stanley Meier
Welcome-----	James Strong
Response-----	Evclyn Long
Class Jest-----	Helen Nesemeier
Class Will-----	Frederick Stoll

Menu:

Baked Swiss Steak	Mashed Potatoes
Perfection Salad	
Hot Rolls	Butter
Cake a la mode	Nuts-Mints
	Beverage

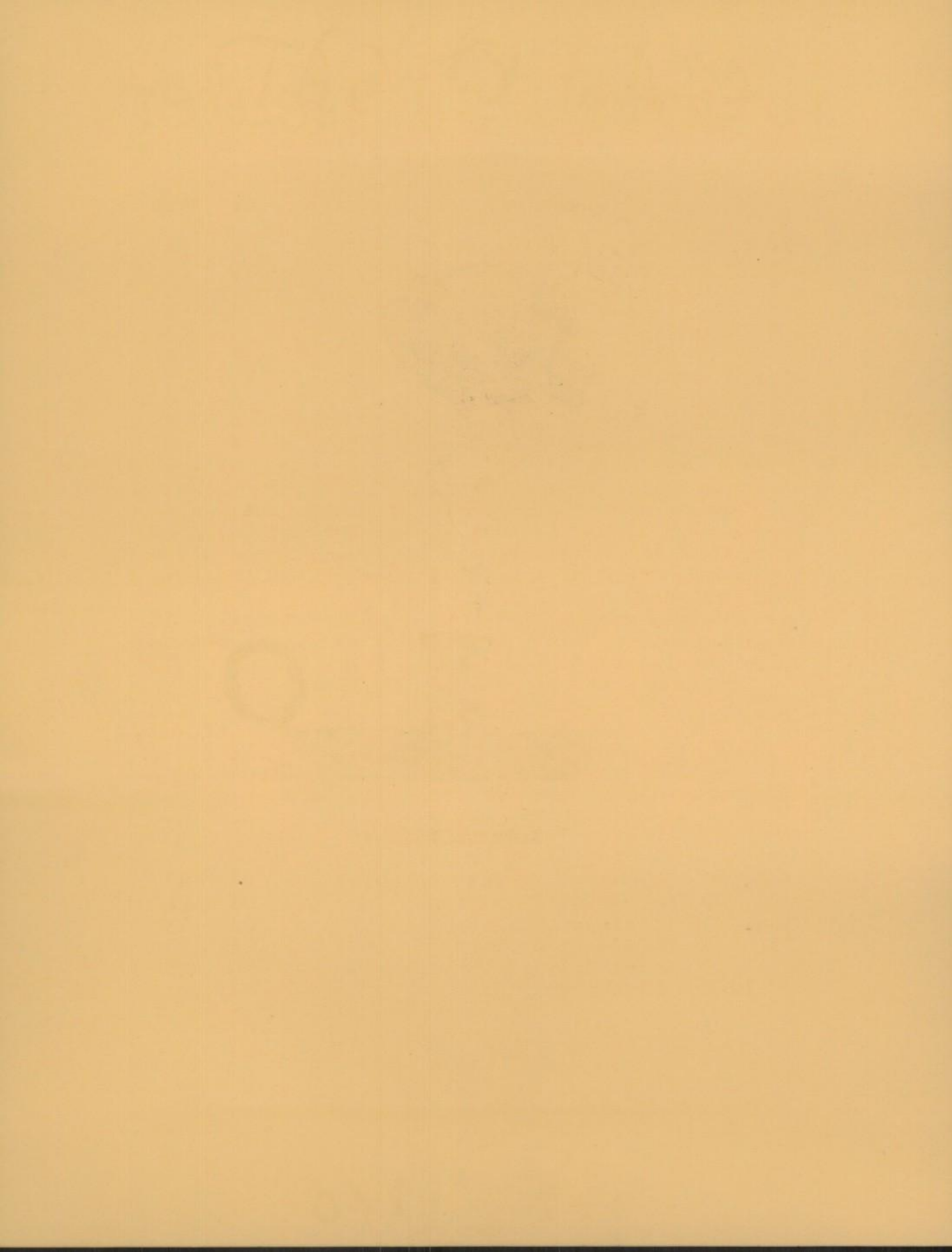
After the program most of the group enjoyed movies at various Freeport theatres.





Jack be N imble

Jack be Quick



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KITTENBALL

			we	they
*Sept.	12	Durand at Dakota	3	16
* "	15	Orangeville at Dakota	8	9
* "	19	Dakota at Winslow	0	7
* "	22	Pearl City at Dakota	9	4
* "	26	Lena at Dakota	5	4
"	29	Dakota at Durand	7	6
*Oct.	3	Dakota at Lena	15	3
* "	5	Dakota at Orangeville	3	4
* "	10	Winslow at Dakota	3	2
* "	13	Dakota at Pearl City	4	2
		Alumni at Dakota	2	4

The team participated in 11 games. Their victories were 6, and defeats 5. Meinert and Daughenbaugh made the home runs for the team. Bood playing on the part of the other members of the team also helped us to be at the top.

The gym team played Cedarville twice. At Dakota, Cedarville was defeated 4 to 1. At Cedarville Dakota was defeated 15 to 17.

Batting average ranked as follows:

Dorninck	513
Kurtz	458
Meier	419

Pearl City received the cup with Dakota 2nd, and Orangeville coming in 3rd.

BASKETBALL

Nov.	17	Dakota at Durand	27	47
"	21	Dakota at Forreton	24	21
*Dec.	1	Dakota at Winslow	22	25
"	5	Dakota at Freeport	11	25
* "	8	Pearl City at Dakota	22	25
"	12-15	Shannon Tourament		



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			WE	THEY
*Dec.	18	Orangeville at Dakota	12	32
"	21	Shannon at Dakota	11	22
*Jan.	5	Dakota at Cedarville	21	22
"	9	Freeport at Dakota	25	35
*"	11	Dakota at Orangeville	16	20
"	16	Durand at Dakota	13	53
*"	25-27	County Tournament at Pearl City		
*Feb.	2	Dakota at Pearl City	13	28
*"	9	Lena at Dakota	14	22
*"	13	Winslow at Dakota	24	27
*"	16	Cedarville at Dakota	32	16
		Alumni at Dakota	20	28
"	21-24	Dist. Tournament at Winslow		

The total number of games participated in was 20. This includes the games with the various teams not in our county. It also includes the one we played with the Dakota Alumni.

The first tournament entered in was the Shannon Tournament. We played only one game, losing it to the strong Thompson team by a score of 19-39.

The second tournament which we took part in was the County Tournament at Pearl City. We combatted Orangeville to a decisive score in our favor, the score being 30-19. However, the second night of the tournament, the boys lost some of the speed and accuracy they had had the night before. This resulted in our losing the game to Pearl City with a score of 11-14.

The third and last tournament of the year was the district tournament at Winslow. We combatted Warren for a loss of 34-44.

Due to sickness and other causes we were finally left far towards the bottom in the standing of schools.

The juniors won the class tournament by defeating the other three classes.



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TRACK

The boys who are going out for the various events are:

Pole Vault: Dornink and Meinert
60 yd. Dash: Meier, De Groff, Kurtz, Heck, Dornink
100 yd. Dash: Meier, De Groff, Kurtz, Dornink
220 yd. Dash: Meier, De Groff
880 yd. Run: Ter Hark, Henze, Virtue, Nesemeier, Thomas, McCarty, Fluegel, Neuschwander, Dornink
Mile Run: Cerroni, Daughenbaugh, Shoemaker
High Jump: Meinert, Sieber, Foss, DeGroff, Fluegel
Broad Jump: Thomas, De Groff, Dornink
Shot Put: Strong, De Groff, Shoemaker, Stoll

The boys elected Harry De Groff as captain of the track team. Due to the hazardous condition of the track field at the beginning of the season, practice was slowed down somewhat. After the field was leveled off and weather conditions permitted, the boys began to practice in earnest.

Stanley Meier had the misfortune to injure his leg so it was impossible for him to participate in all of the track meets. Sheldon Dornink also was unfortunate in having his foot injured so he too was unable to take an active part in the meets for a few weeks. Nevertheless we have good prospects in nearly all events and the boys should make a good showing in the County Meet.

The games scheduled so far are as follows:

April 22	Durand at Dakota
April 25	Orangerville at Dakota
April 30	Dakota at Pearl City
May 7	Dakota at Durand



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KITTENBALL

STANDING: Frank Nesemeier, Frederick Stoll, Harry De Groff, Elwood Koch, Marvin Fluegel, John Kryder, Donald Neuschwander, Robert Schradermeier, Mr. Miller
SEATED: Clement Meinert, Dale Daughenbaugh, (captain) Galen Lawler, Elmer Ter Hark, Paul Sieber, James Strong, Sheldon Dornink, Stanley Meier, Donald Kurtz, Robert Heck.

BASKETBALL

STANDING: Frederick Virtue, Robert Schradermeier, Donald Kurtz, John Kryder, Stanley Meier, Sheldon Dornink, Galen Lawler, Donald TerHark, Dale Bennehoff, Robert Heck, Frank Nesemeier, Mr. Miller.
SEATED: Frederick Stoll, Harry De Groff, Marvin Fluegel, Clement Meinert (captain), Elmer Ter Hark, Dale Daughenbaugh, Elwood Koch.

TRACK

Sheldon Dornink, James Strong, Clement Meinert, Paul Cerroni, Elmer Ter Hark, Harry De Groff (captain), Stanley Meier, Elwood Koch, Donald Neuschwander, Dale Daughenbaugh, Paul Sieber, Mr. Miller.









Peas porridge hot
Peas porridge cold

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TATTLER

Platform: To be loyal to our "Alma Mater".

To promote good sportsmanship.

During the past year as, in former years the Tattler has been edited by the junior class with Miss Royer as sponsor. Through the interest shown toward the paper by outsiders as well as school students, we feel all have greatly enjoyed the paper.

The officers acting for the first semester were:

Editor in Chief-----James Strong

Assistant Editor-----Verna Graybill

News Editor-----Stanley Meier

Class Activities-----Frederick Stoll

Art Editor-----Dorothy Crull

Literary Reporter-----Betty Fluegel

Music Reporter-----Sheldon Toelke

Feature Editor-----Dorothy Moss

Sport Editor-----Helen Nesemeier

Distributors: Marjorie Canfield, Ellsworth Lapp, Paul Cerroni, Galen Lawler, Melvin Thomas, Donald TerHark.

Mimeographers: Maxine Meyers, Lorraine Niblo, Kenneth Shoemaker.

Second semester officers were as follows:

Editor in Chief-----Betty Fluegel

Assistant Editor-----Frederick Stoll

News Editor-----Ellsworth Lapp

Class Activities-----Melvin Thomas

Art Editor-----Dulcie Wirth

Literary Reporter-----Betty Kryder

Music Reporter-----Kenneth Shoemaker

Feature Editor-----Donald Shoemaker

Sports Editors-----Dorothy Moss, Galen Lawler

Distributors: Bette Lou Diemer, Dale Daughenbaugh Stanley Meier, Merl Niedermeyer, James Strong, Wallace Welty.

Mimeographers: Donald TerHark, Sheldon Toelke, Verna Graybill.



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F.F.A.

The F.F.A. held their first meeting on September 15, 1939. At this meeting the following officers were elected: Pres., Paul Sieber; Vice Pres., Galen Lawler; Sec., Sheldon Toelke; Treas., Frederick Stoll; Reporter, Dale Daughenbaugh; Watch Dog, Harry De Groff.

On September 22 and 23, Sheldon Toelke and Galen Lawler attended an officers training school at Springfield, Illinois. This was the first one of its kind ever to be held in the state.

The first F.F.A. Corn Husking Contest held in this county was at Lena on October 21. Dale Daughenbaugh and Elmer TerHark represented our school and received tenth and fifth places respectively. Our school ranked third.

At the Annual Section I, Poultry and Grain Judging Contest held at Mt. Morris, the grain team composed of Howard McCarty, Dale Daughenbaugh, and Sheldon Toelke received tenth place. The poultry team composed of Harry DeGroff and Clement Meinert received twelfth place. Both teams are eligible to attend the State Contest held at Urbana, Illinois in June.

On March 8, the F.F.A. sponsored, with the aid of the G.A.A., the Little Mardi Gras. This netted a nice profit and was enjoyed by all that attended.

The last year many of the boys showed their projects at fairs. Donald Neushwander and Roger Henze spent eight days at the Illinois State Fair showing their projects. A number of boys also took their projects to the fair at Pecatonica. At the 4 H Club show in Freeport, our members took in a total of one hundred and sixteen dollars prize money.

The boys also entered the Pest Eradication Contest this spring and are doing well at ridding the neighborhood of the pests.



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G.A.A.

This is the second year that the G.A.A. has been an active organization in our school. Most of the girls from last year found the club so interesting that they joined again this year. The only ones missing were the seniors of last year.

Miss Royer acts as the sponsor of the group.

The officers for this year are:

President-----	Betty Tracy
Vice President-----	Doris Knoup
Secretary-----	Betty Fluegel
Treasure-----	Dorothy Moss

The active meetings are held during the noon-hour on Mondays and Wednesdays. This year the main sport enjoyed by the girls was basketball.

The point system is being used again this year. The girls who will receive letters are: Doris Knoup, Mildred Foltz, Betty Fluegel, Theora Reuber, Dorothy Moss, Doris Lincoln, Dorothy Crull, Florence Kramer, Helen Nesemeier, Lois Reuber, Maxine Meyers and Dulcie Wirth.

The girls had a Valentines Party. They also initiated the new members at the same time thus making the occasion serve a dual purpose. The group united with the F.F.A. and put on the "Little Mardi Gras". The girls also made and sold yarn dolls which were made in the school colors of orange and maroon.

At the present time they are anxiously looking forward to a spring hike which they plan to take in the near future. They will also take in a play day at Stockton. If plans are followed out, the club will send two girls to the G.A.A. Camp at Camp Cutton on Lake Hastings. The girls will go in June.



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STUDENT COUNCIL

Left to right

STANDING: Roger Rockey, Evelyn Long, Opal Long
Frederick Stoll.

SEATED: Mr. Wohlford, Paul Sieber, James Strong,
Arlene Meck, Betty Tracy.

G.A.A.

FIFTH ROW: Florence Kramer, Shirley Snyder, Mildred
Rayhorn, Arlene Meck, Dorothy Crull.

FOURTH ROW: Dulcie Wirth, Lois Reuber, Betty Tracy
Mildred Foltz, Bette Lou Diemer.

THIRD ROW: Theora Reuber, Dorothy Moss, Helen Nese-
meier, Doris Knoup, Betty Fluegel.

SECOND ROW: Maxine Meyers, Lorene Gramely, Dorothy
Neuschwander, Betty Kryder, Mary Sieber.

FRONT ROW: Norma Kaiser, Phyllis Keister, Doris
Lincoln, Marilyn Reuber, Miss Royer (sponsor).

F.F.A.

AT BACK: Mr. Lycan

THIRD ROW: Roger Henze, Frederick Stoll, Galen Law-
ler, Donald Ter Hark, Donald Shoemaker, Kenneth
Shoemaker, Paul Cerroni, Robert Keister, Harry De
Groff, Sheldon Dornink, Floyd Thomas, Paul Sieber.

SECOND ROW: Melvin Thomas, Roger Rockey, Dale Daugh-
enbaugh, Clayton Philips, Robert Meads, Dale Markel
Howard McCarty, Clement Meinert, Sheldon Toelke.

FRONT ROW: Verl Foss, Billy Angle, Donald Fluegel,
Curtis Diemer, Elmer Ter Hark, Frank Nesemeier,
Robert Shradermeier, Donald Neuschwander.





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"Warm September brings the fruit
Sportsmen then begin to shoot."

- Tues.5---What's this? Mr. Wohlford has lost his science class on the first day of school. We didn't think such a large class could get lost.
- Fri.8---We have some more rules. If you are tardy to class you must stay after school. Are we back in grade school again?
- Mon.11---The softball squad made Dale Daughenbaugh their choice for captain this year.
- Tues.12--Gee, Frank, what does the other fellow look like? Don't you know it isn't nice to fight over a girl?
The seniors chose Miss Cochran as their sponsor, and everybody is happy again.
- Wed.13---Mr. Lycan received a letter addressed to Mrs. Carl Lycan, we wonder----
- Fri.15---Orangeville here to play kittenball. Some game! Stay with it, Mr. Miller, we can argue as well as they can. The rulebook proves everything. Score 9-8 Orangeville.
- Mon.18---"There, little Freshie, don't you cry
You'll be initiated by and by."
- Wed.20---The freshmen became "green today. The girls wore green hair bows and the boys green neckties.
- Thurs.21-Did you notice all the paper sacks today? The freshmen and new upperclassmen wore their clothes backward all day. Miss Royer became a farmer for a day.
Initiation party for freshmen in the gym.
- Tues.26--Junior wiener roast. Miss Royer couldn't go roller-skating.
- Wed.27---What was Miss Cochran thinking about in history class when she called Fairie,



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Sheldon?

Thurs. 28--Senior wiener roast. Mr. Miller and Mr. Lycan stretched out on the tables after they ate. Could they have eaten too much? Miss Royer didn't get to go roller skating again.

Fri. 29---Sophomore hamburger fry. They are either getting high hat, or they have money in their treasury.

"Fresh October brings the pheasant
Then to gather nuts is pleasant."

Mon. 2----Joyce Keehnen locked her clothes in her locker while taking G.A.A. When she went to get them, she couldn't find the key.

Tues. 3---Another game with Orangeville and another argument. Apparently, we lost both.

Wed. 4----Freshmen wiener roast. Gee, Shrimp was excited. He went after Opal. We think some little freshies shouldn't stay out so late, so their mammas wouldn't worry.

Thurs. 5--Did you notice the wild laughter issuing forth from R. 3 the 8th period? The seniors began play practice.

Fri. 6----Lots of visitors today, mostly from Orangeville, and we certainly welcomed Nettie Nott, Helen Gill, and Bob Hartman. Franklin Messman was around, too, still talking war news.

Wed. 11---Paul Sieber brought his history book to class for the first time this year. Now he won't have a stiff neck trying to use Florence's.

Fri. 13---Our lucky day: An assembly during the fourth hour. Our unlucky day: Six weeks exams.

Mon. 16---Basketball practice begins. It is rumored that we shall have a good team this year.



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- Thurs.19-Betty Tracy and Doris Knoup are wearing long faces today. Cheer up, girls, whatever it was, it could have been worse. Lost the alumni game. Are we degenerating?
- Fri.20---We hope you looked pleasant. Well the seniors had their pictures taken.
- Mon.23---We wonder who Dorothy Moss fell for in study hall today?
- Wed.25---Teacher's Institute.
- Thurs.26-Senior play practice at night. Say, do we still believe in ghosts?
- Fri.27---Teacher's Institute again.
- Mon.30---The seniors found out what they looked like. They received their proofs.
- Tues.31--Halloween!!! Howard McCarty had several flat tires. We wonder if it might have been shingle nails?

"Dull November brings the blast,
Then the leaves are whirling fast."

- Wed.1----The civics class really got out of that quizz easy. Just a little filibustering.
- Thurs.2--We wonder how Miss Cochran received her black eye at Senior Play Practice?
- Fri.3----Teacher's Visiting Day. No school again.
- Mon.6----Dedicated to Marvin Fluegel:
"Hardly a man is now alive
Who took that corner at 75."
- Tues.7---Open House. We gave our parents a glimpse of what we have been doing at school.
- Wed.8----Notice found on bulletin board. WANTED:
Permission to wander over a section of a farm in search of tame pheasant or a few lazy rabbits. Wanta borrow our stock of rubber bands or a nigger shooter, Mr. Wohlford?



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- Thurs.9--What is the matter with Paul S.? He goes to sleep in History every day.
Overheard:(Fairie to Florence) "Florence, do you have my engagement ring?" (Personally we think you should take care of your own, girls.)
- Fri.10---Bye oh baby bunting,
The boys have gone a hunting.
Congratulations Seniors. Presented the play and it was a success.
Why were Fairie and Evelyn in such a rush after the play? Could it have been two boys?
- Mon.13---A large group of students attended the Illinois Symphoney Orchestra in Freeport today.
- Tues.14--Work on the annual began in earnest.
- Wed.15---Why was Kathryn feeling good and yet seemed to be in a daze? .
- Thurs.16-After Marvin had read an essay on kissing he quickly announced-----"I knew all about that a long time ago". And then after being called the worlds greatest lover, he became so excited that he fell off of his chair.
- Fri.17---Mr. Miller drew a wonderful drawing of a horse pulling up hay. Fairie thought that it was absolutely wrong. She thought that Miller's drawing had the horse in the barn. She said that their horses were outside of the barn when the hay was pulled up.
- Mon.20---While working on "The House that Jack Built" Miss Cochran suddenly exclaimed--
"You do this I'm going crazy!"
What does Kathryn mean by falculty?
- Tues.21--Talking about raising the price of the annual, Evelyn thinks we should because if we don't it will make kind of a hole.



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- Fri.17---Durand-Dakota basketball game at Durand.
Tues.21--Dakota and Pearl City tied for first place in kittenball.
Wed.25---Evidently someone needs a few lessons on how to use the mimeograph---especially when there's orange ink on it. Did Mr. Miller loose his glasses, or is he just color-blind?
Thurs.23-Thanksgiving vacation.
Fri.24---More vacation.
Mon.27---Found--a long strand of dark curly hair, the morning after the night before. We know Robert Heck's hair doesn't have a permanent--or does it?
Tues.28--Forreston basketball game.
Today the annual staff was singing:
"Day in, Day out
The same old hoodoo
Follows us about."
Wed.29---Hats are funny this fall. For instance Galen's looks like a deserted birds nest.
Thurs.30-Thanksgiving coming up again, but what have we to be thankful for? This is exam week!

"Chill December sleet,
Blazing fire and Christmas treat."

- Fri.1----Winslow basketball game. Miss Cochran, Miss Krider, and Miss Royer nearly ran out of gas on the way home.
Mon.4----Seniors received their pictures.
Kathryn said, "I might as well face facts I can't behave when I sit next to Marvin".
Tues.5---John says that you can't gamble much with a quarter.



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- Thurs.7--Did Harry D. want Evelyn to come back and sit beside him in civics when he said, "There's an empty chair here"?
- Fri.8----In history class, Marvin said, "The early Western settlers made houses out of old log cabins".
- Mon.11---Basketball game with Lena; the score was 40-10. According to Fritz Stoll, Lena has a team of giants; all he could do was to tickle the ball. According to Robert Heck, we had a team of "little men who weren't there".
Stanley, did you have anything to do with Evelyn's glasses getting broken?
- Wed.13---The G. A. A. girls must be getting rough; Dorothy Moss got knocked out this noon.
- Fri.14---This must be a bad week, Fairie had her glasses broken too.
- Mon.18---Orangeville basketball game. Why were the cheer leaders so late to the game? They claim they came by themselves but we wonder.
- Wed.20---The United States is pretty well insulated according to Miss Cochran.
- Thurs.21-Shannon basketball game. Where was the school spirit? There certainly wasn't many students there.
- Fri.22---Teacher's assembly and distribution of gifts. We wonder why Mr. Miller asked if the lights couldn't be put out.
The freshmen and sophomores had their party in the gym.

"January brings the snow,
Makes our feet and fingers glow."

- Tues.2---The music department began the new year



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- by starting to work on the Operetta.
- Fri.5----Don't peek girls! The door came off of the boy's rest room today.
- Wed.10---What did Miss Cochran mean by the "jury is hung"?
- Thurs.11-Paul Cerroni and Calvin Schock got to school on time for the first time this week. Imagine that!
- Fri.12---The Dakota-Orangeville basketball game at Orangeville. Sheldon was so worked up and then Mr. Miller wouldn't let him play. Even so, he made up for it by blowing the whistles he brought with him.
- Mon.15---The weather started to play tricks on us today. Only about fifteen at school.
- Tues.16--By the time school left out nearly fifty kids managed to get here.
- Wed.17---Fatal day! First day of semester exams.
- Thurs.18-Blankenberg here to make a date for group pictures. He also gave us some new ideas.
- Fri.19---Semester vacation. We hope everyone had a good time.
- Mon.22---Back to school for another semester.
- Tues.23--Talking about the end of the war Paul remarked, "Hitler said that he would have peace by Christmas". At which John replied, "he did because he rang the French Belles."
- Wed.24---Happy birthday kids. Phyllis Kramer and Dale Daughenbaugh are a year older today.
- Thurs.25-County Tournament at Pearl City. Whoopee-Dakota upset Orangeville 19-20. We wonder if Kathryn and Florence had anything to do with the Team's success.
- Fri.26---We got beat by Pearl City. Too bad, boys better luck next time.
- Mon.29---Everybody feeling blue. Lena won the tournament.
- Wed.31---The Operetta, "In Grand Old Switzerland"



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presented with great success.

February brings the rain,
Thaws the frozen lake again.

- Thurs.1--Everybody glad and yet rather sorry that the Operetta is over.
- Fri.2----Pearl City Basketball game. Don't look now but I think we lost again.
- Mon.5----Did you notice any strange sounds coming from Room 8 this noon? Well it was just a group of students enjoying themselves in a community sing.
- Tues.6---Sophomores victorious over the Freshmen in basketball, but then why shouldn't they be?
- Wed.7----According to Marvin, there is a city in the West named after the Indians which is called Sox City.
- Fri.9----Did you notice that Shrimp and Dale were downhearted. Reason--Opal hasn't been to school all week.
- Mon.12---Everybody all dressed up, and the main question of the day is, "Where is Mr. Blankenberg?" All great men are born on February 12. Examples: Abraham Lincoln and Mr. Miller.
- Tues.13--We, the seniors, wish Miss Royer would make out daily quizzes that she could answer without her little blue book.
- Wed.14---Hope everyone received a valentine. We wonder why John was the only boy in American History. Could it be that he likes to be with the girls rather than be in on the all boys conference?
- Thurs.15-What would Joyce and Opal do if they missed a noon not talking to Elmer and Dale?



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Fri. 16---The band was going to play at the Alumni-High School game but they forgot the music and even some instruments.

Mon. 19---The weather man didn't succeed this time. Almost all of the students managed to get to school.

Thurs. 22-Mr. Smith showed a few reels of pictures on Cuba and the Panama Canal.

The Seniors are having teacher trouble again--just ask Lathryn and Sheldon.

It seems as though Florence and Lathryn get to go wherever and whenever they want to.

District B.B. Tournament at Winslow.

Tues. 27--Candidates for the king and queen were chosen from each class.

Wed. 28---Mr. Miller says its no use girls, talking. Don't raise your grade.

We wonder what it is that Miss Toyer said the Juniors had in their little minds?

Was it shock over being elected Captain or the Basketball team or why did Clelent refuse to give a speech in assembly?

Thurs. 29--Russia has its Communism

Italy has its Fascism

Germany has its Natzism

But D.C.H.S. has its fatalism.

Betty Tracy got so excited over the issue that she lost her voice.

March brings breezes loud and shrill,
Stirs the dancing daffodil.

Fri. 1----The fourth six weeks has rooled around
And in my heart these thoughts are found,
Have I, Did I, Do I know
These answers, so my ink can flow?



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- Mon.4----Just twelve more weeks of school seniors, so you had better make the most of it.
Mr. Lyon spoke on "Alcohol as a Narcotic" in assembly.
- Tues.5---What kind of a spree was John telling us about in history? He claimed later that he meant a German battleship.
- Wed.6----Clement sits so close to the door in history class that if the door gave way, he would find himself in General Science.
- Thurs.7--The editor of the annual is still trying to collect baby pictures of the seniors.
- Fri.8----The F.F.A. and G.A.A. sponsored the Little Mardi Gras. Dale Daughenbaugh and Evelyn Long were chosen King and Queen.
- Mon.11---Sheldon Dornink said that the Russians flew over Sweden and bombed Finland.
- Tues.12--Annual pictures taken; Elwood Koch came back to "watch the birdie".
- Wed.13---We wonder who was at the bottom of the stairs or did Betty N. just fall for the steps?
What did Sheldon D. mean when he said the modern hats of ladies stick you in the eye? Does he know from experience?
- Thurs.14--We hope the juniors don't get the big head just because they beat the Sophomores and thus became the Champion basketball team of school.
- Fri.15---Sheldon D. says that business is liable to go out of business, while Calvin says making vanilla is an Extractive Industry.
- Mon.18---Elimination Contest for Dramatic Dec., Vocal solos, and Orations. Too bad Paul but it had to be. We mean about getting out of bed to come and give your oration.
- Thes.19--Elimination Contest for humorous Dec. Too bad Evelyn, Sheldon beat you again.
- Wed.20---The statue in the study hall was wearing



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- Mr. Millers hat, but Lincoln will have to increase his head size before he can wear it. Final Elimination Contest in the gym.
- Thurs.21-Mr. Bealer gave us an interesting speech in assembly today.
- Fri.22---Good Friday. No school.
- Mon.25---Easter Vacation and did we enjoy it!
- Tues.26--John, was your typing result so shocking or did your ankle give way when you fell in typing class.
- Wed.27---We wonder what Sheldon D. was thinking about when he sat under the typing table and asked what period it was.
- Thurs.28-The Band and Chorus are busy practising for the music contest.
- Sat.30---The Music Contest at Mr. Morris. Better luck next time.

April brings the primrose sweet,
Scatters daisies at our feet.

- Mon.1----Everyone talking about the good time they had Saturday.
- Tues.2---Did you notice the nice green hair bows some of the junior boys are wearing. We thought St. Patricks day was past.
- Wed.3----Who is the guilty party? The Ag Room door just had an accident, at least it broke its glass window.
- Thurs.4--Frankly we think Marvin Fluegel needs glasses. In history class he called everyones attention to a flock of geese flying Northward. Upon further investigation the geese turned out to be a kite.
- Fri.5----County Literary Contest at Dakota. Lena received first place.
- Mon.8----Did you notice the Thespain members were to busy playing ping pong to come to play practice.



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- Tues.9---Miss Cochran says they are now encouraging Indian girls to take home economics so they can make balanced rations. Do you suppose she meant balanced diets?
- Wed.10---The Junior Play Cast shot a mouse during rehearsal. They claim the mouse died but it must have been from heart failure because they were using blanks.
- Thurs.11-The Economics class has each invested \$1000 in stocks. The market dropped today which makes James worried. He says he wishes he would have put his \$1000 in a teapot or mattress instead of buying stocks.
- Mon.15---In discussing the "Hatch Bill" Miss Cochran said it wasn't in its last stage yet.
- Wed.17---LOST! One boys chorus. Finder please return to Miss Krider.
- Thurs.18---What is meant by The "New York Stork exchange?
- Fri.19---Junior Play "Spring Fever" presented with success. We hope no one got hurt by the dynamite.
- Mon.22---Seniors in a rush. Reason--they decided a very important matter.
- Tues.23---The Seniors took the day off and went to Milwaukee.

May brings flocks of pretty lambs,
Skipping by their fleecy dams.

- May 17---Thespian Plays
May 24---Junior-Senior Banquet
May 31---Class Night

June brings tulips, lilies, roses,
Fills the children's hands with posies.

- June 2---Bacculaurate
June 4---Commencement





"A" is for Alumni

Those dear old souls



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ALUMNI NEWS NOTES

"What's 'so and so' doing?"
We often hear folks say,
So here's news of the alumni
And what they're doing today.

Alice Miller is employed part time at the Dakota Telephone Office...Marian Meyers has recently married Mr. Edward Kloth who is employed by the manager of the Licondo Hotel....Mabel Pfile and Grace Sieber are attending Goshen College...Beulah Wise and Dorothy Angle are enrolled at DeKalb Teachers' College...Merl Iserman is taking up ag work at the University of Illinois...Beulah Toelke is employed at Burgess Company in Freeport..Helen Bear is also working at Burgess, but it is rumored that she may not work there long, because her next venture may be a matrimonial one.Wanda Fehr is working at Raleigh's....Mildred Iserman is working at the Northwestern Telephone Exchange, Wanda and Mildred room together..Ruth Anne Hutchison is a junior at Rockford College...Franklin Messman is attending Brown Business College...George Cfull is working at home on the farm...Marie Crull has become Mrs. Clarence Asche..Bob Gentz is employed part time at Hilmer's in Davis.....Levon Lawler is doing housework and working in a grocery store in Orangeville....Eldon Rockey is employed at Smith's in Dakota.....Edgar Foss and Lucille Bennehoff have finally been married.....Dorvin Fortner is working on the farm at home...Ruby Rote, Vivien Fehr, and Geraldine Lapp are doing nurses' training in Freeport hospitals..Alta Tielkemeier has entered nurses' training at the Swedish-American Hospital in Rockford...Marcella Zimmerman is working on a farm near DavisStanley Wirth is working at home...Wendall Lawler is employed on a farm at Rock City....Glen Yeoran is Working at home...Loris Long is attending Manches-



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ter College.....Kenneth Brubaker is attending Freeport High School, taking manual courses....LeRoy Brubaker is working on the farm...Chester Miller is working at home and also sings in the choir at the Second Presbyterian Church....Ruth Angle is dental nurse for Drs. Snyder and VanLone....Cleone Slamp has become the wife of Robert Burchardt and is living on a farm south of Freeport...Leo Mitchell is janitor at D.C.H.S. and is engaged to Miss Stengel...Harry Wilke is touring the West...Ransom Fehr is working at Hilker's in Dakota..Donald Fehr is working at the Dakota Cheese Factory.....Leland Dietemeier is milk tester for Association No 3...Mervin Cerroni is also a milk tester..Floyd Sieber is taking a brief course on milk testing at Champaign..Pearl Foltz is doing housework in Freeport. Viola and Roselyn Shippt are at home...Glen Shippy is ag teacher at Winslow....Iris Shippy is working in a shoe factory at Beloit....Lawrence Lawver and his wife, the former Edna Boals, are the parents of a daughter. Janice Angle is teaching a rural school south of Freeport. Dale Barr is doing betinary work somewhere in Iowa....Leila Barr is working at home in Rock City...Lowell Thoras is working at home...Alice TerHark is working at home...Marian Schwarze is doing housework near Durand.....Louis Hexk is teaching the Center Hill School...Ivan Germain is married to Betty Hartman and is working at Kraft's Cheese Factory.....Wilma Kurtz is teaching grade school in Pecatonica.....Walter Sutter is working in the cheese factory...Wilbur Goeke is manager of a big dairy farm at Alton, Illinois, he is the father of two baby girls....Melvin Schraderreier is operating a grocery store in Gary, Indiana....Burrell Schoeltzer has married Marian Kechnen and is employed as a paint salesman...Willie Trussel is a cheesemaker at Kraft's.....Eldon Vehreier and his wife, Dorothy Germain, are jointly operating a farm in Dakota...Howard Meck is at home...Mervin Meck's studying male nursing in New York....Louise Alten-



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bernd is at home in Rock Grove..Donald Lapp is employed on a farm near Peconica.....Mabel Tielke-reier is teaching school in Stephenson County.....Bob Thoren is doing office work in Freeport...Neva Mitchell has been doing housework in Freeport, but is at home at present...Riva Jean Wesrphal is taking nurses' training in Freeport...Joyce Price is employed at the Rock City Bank...Dora May Tracy is married and living in Sterling..Russel Moss is employed at Hilmer's in Dakota.....Glen Wise is a teacher in Stephenson County.....Thera Wise is the wife of Albert Goeke and lives in Dakota...Richard Angle has come back from California and is living at home.....Lottie Rockey is the wife of Myron Schradermeier and lives in Hammond, Indiana..Bernice Spangler is the wife of Roy Bowers and lives on a farm near Dakota...Etta Lawver is the wife of Ransom Keister and lives at Delavan, Wisconsin....Nellie Lincoln is the wife of Floyd Corl who is a teacher in Lena Grade School...Cheryl Slarp is the wife of Floyd Hopkins, recently their family was increased by the arrival of a baby girl, she lives in Waukegan....Helen Spangler is the wife of Nevin Slarp recently they moved to a farm near Durand...Roy Mitchell is married and operates a filling station in Dakota..Viola Moss is the wife of Seward Lincoln, employed at Smith's.....Dorothy Gramley is the wife of Sam Shelly and lives in Freeport....Eldon Slarp has recently married, he works in a Freeport bank..Mildred Kuha on is at home in Rock Grove....Myrlah Krarer is the wife of Russell Moss, she is employed in Freeport...Gerald Iserran is at home in Dakota...Noble Henze is helping at home, he sings in the choir at the Embure Methodist Church.....Berneta Ludeking is at home....Shirlah



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Shirlah Iserman is working at home-----Gwendolyn Diemer is also at home--Marry Wagner has worked at Kraft's but is at home for the present-----Olive Graybill is living at home.

ACTIVITIES OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association has proven quite a valuable organization to those who have graduated from Dakota High School. At the end of each school year, the alumni plan a banquet for the graduating class. This is also an opportunity for those who have graduated in the preceding years to renew old friendships and recall some of their high school activities.

This year the annual banquet will be held on Friday evening, June 7th, in the high school gymnasium. The plate charge is the same as last year. Since this is the lowest that can possibly be charged, it is hoped that a large number of the alumni will be present as well as the entire graduating class.

In order to gain sufficient funds for a banquet, a program was presented in the gym on Friday evening, March 29th. The program was given in two parts, the first of which was a one-act play, "Who Gets the Car Tonight?" directed by Ruth Angle, and including the following actors: Mildred Kuhagen Dorvin Fortner, Franklin Messman, Wanda Fehr, and Lowell Thomas. The second part was a minstrel written by the members of the Alumni Association. It included the following: Stanley Wirth, Chester Miller, Wendall Lawler, LeRoy Brubaker, Bob Gentz, Frederick Virtue, Wayne Shipoy, Richard Angle, Ransom Fehr, and Elmer Moss. The proceeds from this program were approximately forty-four dollars.





The little dog laughed
To see such fun

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INQUIRING REPORTER

In order to clear up the "dark mysteries" concerning a number of black eyes, our reporter offers the following bona fide confessions:

Frank Nesemeier: "Mr. Miller was showing me how he drop-kicked at Iowa, and I was watching too close.
James Strong: "A couple of ice skates ganged up on me."

Miss Cochran: "Fell asleep at senior play practice and toppled off the bleachers."

Donald Fluegel: "Aw, that's just one place I guess I missed. Gimme the soap."

Leland Hutchison: "Bossy lifted one hoof too high."

Frederick Virtue: "Some one forgot to plug up the keyhole."

Teacher: "Did the last bell ring?"

Frederick Stoll: "No, it's four down and one to go!"

Shrimp Schradermeier was humped over his desk diligently writing up his English. The study-hall teacher noted his posture and wondered if his eyesight were poor. On asking him, Shrimp replied, "It's to get my brain closer to my work."

Elmer Ter Hark says there ain't no justice. Every time Opal Long turns around and talks to him without permission, he gets the bawling-out. Oh, well, Elmer, life's like that.

Evelyn Long: Where do you think our class picture should be hung?

Kathryn Mitchell: It should be hung in the office. That's where we've been most of the four years.

A certain world history question called for the answer, HITTITES. One answer received was KITTIES. S'all right, Milly, you got credit.



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LET THE FOLLOWING THEME SONGS BE DEDICATED:

"Smarty Pants"-----Frank Nesemeier
 "Scatterbrain"-----Fairie Germain
 "The Little Man Who Wasn't There"---Ellsworth Lapp
 "Dark Eyes"-----Donald F., James, Leland, Frank
 "A Hunting We Shall Go"-----Mr. Wohlford
 "Two Loves Have I"-----Mr. Lycan
 "Are You Having Any Fun?"-----Robert Heck
 "I Didn't Know What Time It Was"-----Calvin Schoch
 "I'll Get By"-----Sheldon Dornink
 "The South American Way"-----Harry DeGroff
 "If I Knew Then What I Know Now"-----Stanley Meier
 "My Last Goodbye"-----Elwood Koch
 "Careless"-----Verl Foss
 "Little Wooden Head"-----Pinochio
 "Sissy"-----Dale Bennehoff
 "Sweetie Pie"-----Marvin Fleugel
 "Holy Smoke, Can't You Take A Joke"---Paul Cerroni
 "Time On My Hands"-----Alvin Barr
 "Whispering"-----Bette Diemer to Betty Kryder
 "I've Got An Apple For My (goom.) Teacher"-Doris K.
 "I've Got Rhythm"-----Dulcie Wirth
 "Lazybones"-----Robert Keister
 "Can't You Hear Me Callin', Carolino"-Mrs. Wohlford
 "Faithful Forever"-----Leo Mitchell
 "We Won't Be Home Until Morning"----Freshmen Class
 "Romance Runs In the Family"---Evelyn and Opal Long
 "Oh, Johnny, Oh"-----Martha Meck
 "You're A Sweet(?) Little Headache"---Joyce Kechnen
 "Chatterbox"-----Kathryn Mitchell
 "Back in 1939 A. D."-----Alumni
 "She's Tall, She's Tan, She's Terrific"-Miss Royer
 "It's A Hap Hap Happy Day"-----Commencement Day
 "I Dream of Joannie"-----Ge. Cadenhew
 "Margio"-----Charles Haas
 "I've Got That Million Dollar Smile"---Fritz Stoll
 "A Man and His Dream"-----Robert La Budde
 "I Must Have One More Kiss"-----Roger Henze
 "Small Fry"-----Robert Schradermeier



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James Strong had a headache. A teacher said to him: "I think there is some headache balm in the office. Why don't you try that?"

James: "Head ache bomb? No, thanks, I'd rather have the headache!"

Ellsworth Lapp sat absently tearing up paper into small pieces. When he had this done, he sat tearing the small pieces into still smaller pieces. Suddenly, a teacher pounced on him: "Are you man or mouse?"

There was lots of speculation about a certain black eye which a certain feminine faculty member was trying hard to bear up under.

Mr. Miller: "One has to be careful about door knobs these days."

Stanley Meier: "That sounds very suspicious, Mr. Miller."

Mr. Miller: (indignant) "Why? I'm no doorknob."

What does Dale Dauchenbaugh mean by "Collaroptera"? Must be a new specimen, eh, Mr. Lycan?

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Sheldon Dornink was giving a dissertation on the shortcomings of the French people. When he finished, Miss Cochran said: "You don't mean to imply that a Franchman is a sissy, do you?"
Sheldon: "Well, no, not a sissy, but rather delicate."

Kathryn Mitchell: I never can spell "Wohlford".
Blankenburg: Oh, that's easy--"W-a-l-l-f-o-r-d".

Harry D. says the llama has "Sort of a sheepish look".

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Miss Cochran: What is the main export of Hawaii?
Ellsworth Lapp: Dole pineapple juice.

Fritz Stoll says everytime some people open their mouths,
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On November tenth, Shrimp Schradermeier was chasing
Howard McCarty as fast as he could go. When stopped by
a faculty member, Robert explained, "I'm Wohlford and
He's the pheasant." It was in season, anyway.

During senior play practice one day, we were wonder-
ing where we could find a dark formal. Suddenly, Marvin
piped up, "I think Miss Krider has a dark informal."

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Miss Royer: Evelyn, what is an essay?

Evelyn Long: It is something.

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StudyHall Teacher: Alvin will you go to the wastebasket
and throw away whatever you have in your mouth?

Alvin Barr: Honestly, Don't you think I'm too young for
false teeth yet?

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Howard McCarty: A mummy is a living thing that has been
preserved for a long time.

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Time: Just before Halloween
Place: Deserted schoolhouse
Occasion: Senior play practice

Weird, soft music suddenly bursting into a shrill, shrieking tone--then receding into nothingness.

Then from a deserted gym, we slowly mounted the stairs, each turn becoming darker and darker. Out of the darkness came a light from under a locked door. Upon the discovery of the locked door, we fled in terror from the mystic atmosphere.

Then three of the brave knights of the senior class made a bold adventurous journey from the boiler room up the creaking stairs, through the inky darkness of the hall and courageously crept toward the closed door from which the wild strains of music were issuing forth. Upon opening the old office door and peering into Room 7, they saw Miss Royer calmly listening to Major Bowes and working on band uniforms, blissfully unaware of the terror and the blood chilling minutes of suspense she had caused the feminine members of the senior class and their sponsor.

Overheard in study hall:

James: May I speak to Galen?

Teacher: How long do you expect to stay?

James: Until you happen to notice us.

On One day there was a queer odor in the school building. Kathryn said, "I wonder what smells so funny around here."

Florence replied, "I don't know but there's a salesman here."

Martha Meck to Robert Heck at play practice: Stop making funny faces. You make me forget my lines.
Robert: I'm not making faces. That's the way I look.



Miss Cochran explained that during a riot of the Boxer Rebellion, five foreigners and a dog were killed. Then she asked: "What caused the rebellion?" Evelyn Long: "It was protecting American interests." Miss Cochran: "Who was protecting American interests?" Harry DeGroff: "The dog."***

James Strong: How do you spell principal?

Teacher: What kind?

James: The kind that sits over there in the office.

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Clement Moinert: Miss Royer, what's meant by perpetual motion?

Robert Hoch: (quickly) Take physics if you want to know.

Teacher: Who is the ambassador that U.S. called home from Germany last year?

Sheldon Dornink: Who did we send over?

HAVEN'T YOU HEARD THESE BEFORE?

Mr. Wohlford: "You'll have to pay for that."

Miss Royer: "We will have a little written review today."

Miss Krider: "I hope you will enjoy our little program."

Mr. Lycan: "I used to know, but I forgot."

Miss Cochran: "I'm getting rather tired of you."

Mr. Miller: "This is the LAST practice before the big game."

CONFUCIOUS SAY:

He who drive car at noon hang keys on nail.

He who swallow gum get stuck up, maybe.

He who no smile crack face someday.

He who no study wish he had.

He who go around a lot get awful dizzy.

He who has too good a line get self all tied up.

He can't think straight who gets in tight squeeze.

He who no good on dates, better buy history book.

He who get shock from chair seat must be attractive.

He who edits annual get big headache.

Ruth Adams in a report: When the king died the queen had a statue made of him. This was the statue of a horse for the market place.

What did Fairie mean when she said that she should have looked for her "Lost Chord"? A few moments later she was looking for the "Roses of Picardy".

When Harry asked Miss Cochran how much half a dozen were (meaning pictures), she replied "six".

As paper was being passed out for an important exam, Robert Schradermeier waved his hand frantically, "Wait, there is something I must know before we start. How long did the Thirty-Years War last?"

OVERHEARD ALL DAY ON FLEET DAY:

John Kryder: "Jeepers Christmas."
Harry DeGroff: "Let's go buy some trinkets."
Marvin Fluegel: "I'll bet, too, they did."
Kathryn Mitchell: "I must call my aunt."
Florence Kramer: "After all,---"
Sheldon Dornink: "It's a fine thing that----"
Lowell Thomas: "I'd like to dump a couple of guys."
Miss Cochran: "Where's the map. We'll find it yet."
Evelyn Long: "Oh, glory, it's cold!"
Chester Miller: "Where to, next?"
Fairie Germain: "Holy jumping aunt Hanna, gee whiz,
Jiminy Crickets!"

The most remarkable scene that took place on Fleet Day was when Harry and Florence were found standing hand in hand before a jewelry store window, looking at diamond rings.

What prompted John Kryder to say suddenly, "Jeepers Christmas! I'm losing my dress!" ???

Kathryn Mitchell: Can you drive for us Fleet Day?
Lowell Thomas: Sure. (after a pause) Can I ask where we're going?

The seniors decided to view Lake Michigan and started out in the direction it ought to be. After driving around without success, they stopped at a filling station, and John asked: "Where is your lake, anyway?" Still they didn't find it and deciding to give it up, they headed for town again. Pretty soon, they pulled in at another station. This time John wanted to know: "Where's your down town by now?"

If these jokes seem rather tame,
The annual staff can't take the blame.
We've tried our best to portray
Classroom humor day by day.

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Four years have passed
The race is run,
Here is a record
Of the things we've done.
These activities, many or few
Show the ways our interests grew.
Music, sports, annual, or plays
We've surely had some busy days.

ADAMS, RUTH - Scholastic Award 2,3,4; Senior Play
Talebearer Staff.

BEAR, GRACE - Scholastic Award 2,3,4; Talebearer
Staff.

BRUBAKER, RUTH - Chorus 1, Talebearer Staff.

DEGROFF, HARRY - Boys Chorus 1; Basketball 1,2,3,4
F.F.A 2,3,4; Softball 2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Junior
Play.

DORNINK, SHELDON - Softball 1,2,3,4; Declamation 2
Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3,4; Operetta Cast 3,4
Boys Chorus 1,2,3,4; Junior Play; Student Council 2
President 2; Vice President 3; F.F.A. 2,3,4; Thes-
pian 3,4, Declamation 4.

FLUEGEL, MARVIN - Junior Play; Senior Play; Boys
Chorus 1,2,3,4; Operetta Cast 1,3; Thespian 4.

GERMAIN, FAIRIE - Junior Play; Senior Play; Girls
Chorus 2,3,4; Girls Sextette 1,2,3,4; Scholastic
Award 1; Thespians 3,4; Operetta Cast 2,3,4; Vice
President 1; Secretary 2; Tattler Staff; G.A.A. 3.

HECK, ROBERT - Softball 2,3,; Boys Chorus 2,3, 4;
Operetta Cast 3,4; Junior Play; Student Council 1,3

Thespians 3,4; TaleBearer Staff.

KRAMER, FLORENCE - Thespians 4; Senior Play; Vice President 2, Secretary 4; Treasurer 1; Scholastic Awards 2,3; Girls Chorus 1,2,3; Chorus Pianist 4; Tattler Staff; Talebearer Staff; G.A.A. 3,4.

KRYDER, JOHN * Basketball 1,3,4; Operetta Cast 3; Treasurer 4; Thespians 4; Band 3,4; Softball 3,4 Junior Play; F.F.A. 2,3; Boys Chorus 1,2,3,4;

LONG, EVELYN - Girls Chorus 1,2,3,4; Thespians 3,4 Girls Sextette 2,3,4; Junior Play; Operetta Cast 2 Senior Play; Student Council 1,4; Talebearer Staff Tattler Staff; President 4; G.A.A. 3.

MECK, MARTHA - Girls Chorus 1,2,3,4; Junior Play; Girls Sextette 4; Senior Play; Talebearer Staff; Tattler Staff; Treasurer 2; Thespians 4.

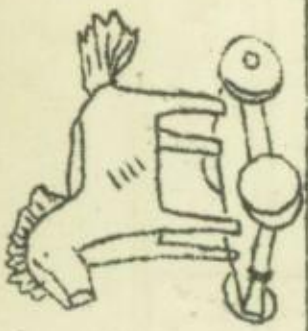
MEINERT, CLEMENT - Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3,4 Softball 1,2,3,4; Junior Play; Thespians 4; F.F.A. 2,3,4.

MEINERT, FRANCES - Scholastic Award 2,3; Talebearer Staff.

MITCHELL, KATHRYN - Talebearer Staff; Junior Play; Senior Play; Scholastic Awards 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1; Band 3,4; Thespians 3,4; Declamation 3; Tattler Staff.

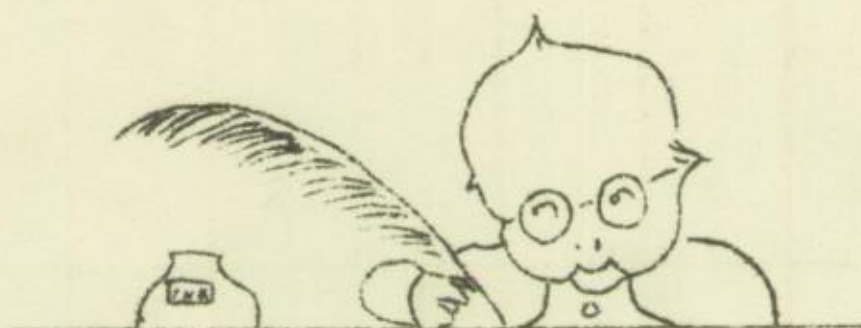
SCHOCH, CALVIN- F.F.A. 2,3.

SIEBER, PAUL - Scholastic Award 1,2,3; Junior Play Track 2,3,4; Senior Play; F.F.A. 2,3,4; President 3 Thespians 3,4; Softball 4

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